

MINUTES

BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (MAC)

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 6:30 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Israel Fuentes called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. ROLL CALL OF MAC MEMBERS:

Gary Grossich – Present

Israel Fuentes – Present

Jackie Cox – Present

Betty Gosney – Present

Larry Burgos – Present

Eric Scott – Absent

3. DIGNITARIES IN ATTENDANCE:

Supervisor Josie Gonzales – San Bernardino County Fifth District Supervisor

Welcomed and addressed the community regarding demographics and future development in Bloomington. Thanked all attendees for their participation and looks forward to the community's input.

Dr. Audrey Mathews – San Bernardino County Planning Commissioner

Maha Rizvi – Field Representative, Assembly member Eloise Reyes

Henry Castillo – Deputy District Director, State Senator Connie Leyva

Greg Young – Director, West Valley Water District Board of Directors

Linda Gonzalez – Vice President, West Valley Water District Board of Directors

Jasmin Hall – District 4 Representative, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Board of Directors

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of February 7, 2017 meeting were approved.

5. SMALL BUSINESS RECOGNITION AWARD PRESENTATION

Small business recognition was awarded to Mikel's Donuts & Sub.

6. STAFF REPORTS:

CHP – Not present

Sheriff's Department – Not present

Special Districts – Tim Millington announce this would be his last meeting and introduced Reece Troublefield as the new Division Manager. Tim thanked the community for their support throughout the years. Reece thanked Tim for his involvement with Bloomington and mentioned he looks forward to being of service to the community.

County Fire Department – Not present

Supervisor Gonzales' Office – None

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

PlaceWorks Inc. & County Land Use Services Department – Steve Gunnell's and Terri Rahhal presented the community with the Bloomington Community Plan Update.

Dan Flores, Chief of Staff for Supervisor Josie Gonzales - presented an update to the general revenue and expenditure comparative study for Bloomington. The current tax base in Bloomington does not provide sufficient funding to support current levels of service. In previous meetings, the MAC requested options for increasing law enforcement, code enforcement, and community services. An option was presented at the MAC's request that would generate revenue through a property tax assessment. The new assessment would require a vote and levy a tax of approximately \$350 per parcel, per year. When presented with this option, the MAC requested that an alternative be brought back at a future meeting that would allow for more commercial and industrial development with the caveat that it be required to fund increased services.

The REC Center Students – REC Center students performed vocal and cheerleading demonstrations. The students did a wonderful job of showcasing what they've been learning in their classes.

8. DISCUSSION ITEM:

Old Business –

- Ad Hoc Committee – None
- Ad Hoc Committee – None

- Topics for Upcoming Agendas:
 - April 4, 2017 – San Bernardino County Code Enforcement
 - April 4, 2017 – Jeremy Mape, Western RealCo/ Update Regarding Proposed Bloomington Project
 - May 2, 2017 – PlaceWorks Inc., Bloomington Community Plan Update
 - TBD – San Bernardino County Public Works Department
 - TBD – Earthquake Preparedness

New Business – None

9. COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- San Bernardino Valley Riders – Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th at 9am at Kessler Arena. They will have many activities for the kids. Donations such as candy, eggs, etc. are welcomed. Please contact Dave Jayne for more information.
- Bloomington Wrestling Team made Nationals and is selling T-shirts for \$20
- West Valley Water District – This week's meeting has been changed to Friday, March 10th at 6pm
- Bloomington Little League will have their Pancake Breakfast on March 25th at 7am with Opening Day Ceremonies to follow.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Larry Saldana – Mr. Saldana expressed this was a great meeting. He stated his concerns regarding the traffic on the south side of Orange Ave at Larch Ave and would like to see sidewalks implemented.

11. MAC MEMBER COMMENT:

Betty Gosney – Mrs. Gosney thanked all who came and welcomed those who were new to the meeting. She encouraged everyone to get involved and learn more about the community by subscribing to receive Bloomington updates. In addition, she reminded all to invite others to attend the meetings.

Jackie Cox – Mrs. Cox thanked all for coming to the meeting, specifically Supervisor Gonzales.

Israel Fuentes – Mr. Fuentes thanked the county employees for their participation in the meeting. Also, the community for their feedback and participation. He announced the new businesses that will be coming to the community. Mr. Fuentes asked everyone to keep an eye out for one another and report any crimes to the Sheriff's Department. Lastly, he offered free Spanish books that were given to distribute to the community.

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Gary Grossich – Mr. Grossich requested if an Ad Hoc Committee Meeting - similar to the CUJSD Facilities Master Plan - could be formed to interface with the school district to discuss issues. Dan Flores stated we could agendaize his request for the next meeting to take action and appoint a body. Mr. Grossich thanked the community for their participation and providing feedback to address their concerns.

Larry Burgos - Mr. Burgos thanked Supervisor Gonzales for her efforts and the community for their direction. Also, he thanked Dan Flores for presenting an update of the general revenue. He reminded the community of their request to see the revenue and asked them to think about the return investment it would bring to Bloomington. Mr. Burgos expressed he would like to see the Bloomington community grow by embracing change and moving forward with new development. Lastly, he reminded the community to continue bringing forward their concerns and thanked all for attending.

12. ADJOURN MEETING:

Israel Fuentes adjourned the meeting at 9:16 pm.

NEXT MEETING
March 7, 2017 at 6:30pm